



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
 United States Patent and Trademark Office
 Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450
www.uspto.gov

BIB DATA SHEET

CONFIRMATION NO. 3824

| SERIAL NUMBER | FILING or 371(c) DATE RULE | CLASS | GROUP ART UNIT | ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. |
|---------------|----------------------------------|-------|----------------|---------------------|
| 10/522,479 | 01/26/2005 | 370 | 2619 | 011765-0314597 |

APPLICANTS

Howard W. Winter, Southampton, UNITED KINGDOM;
 Kenneth M. Hopkins, Chichester, UNITED KINGDOM;

** CONTINUING DATA *****

This application is a 371 of PCT/GB03/03183 07/25/2003
 which claims benefit of 60/399,151 07/30/2002

** FOREIGN APPLICATIONS *****

** IF REQUIRED, FOREIGN FILING LICENSE GRANTED **

| Foreign Priority claimed | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | STATE OR COUNTRY | SHEETS DRAWINGS | TOTAL CLAIMS | INDEPENDENT CLAIMS |
|--------------------------------|---|--|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| 35 USC 119(a-d) conditions met | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Met after Allowance | | | |
| Verified and Acknowledged | / Alpus H Hsu / Examiner's Signature | Initials | UNITED KINGDOM | 5 | 30 |

ADDRESS

Pillsbury Winthrop
 Intellectual Property Group
 1600 Tysons Boulevard
 McLean, VA 22102
 UNITED STATES

TITLE

Apparatus and method for connecting fibre channel devices via bypass buffers

| | | |
|-----------------------------|---|---|
| FILING FEE RECEIVED 1400 | FEES: Authority has been given in Paper No. _____ to charge/credit DEPOSIT ACCOUNT No. _____ for following: | <input type="checkbox"/> All Fees <input type="checkbox"/> 1.16 Fees (Filing) <input type="checkbox"/> 1.17 Fees (Processing Ext. of time) <input type="checkbox"/> 1.18 Fees (Issue) <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Credit |
|-----------------------------|---|---|